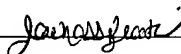


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Invention: <b>METHODS FOR DETECTING INFLAMMATION AND INFLAMMATORY CONDITIONS</b>						
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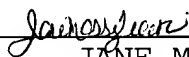
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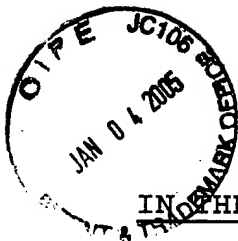
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